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ELECTRODE AND BATTERY CELL  
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INTERLAYER ARCHITECTURE

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## AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an Amendment in the above-identified application.

The fee has been calculated as shown below.

	Claims After Amendment		Highest Previously Paid For	Present Extra	Small Entity Rate Fee	Large Entity Rate Fee
Total Claims	75	MINUS	96	00	x 25 =	x 50 =
Independent Claims	01	MINUS	03	00	x 100 =	x 200 =
Multiple Dependent Claim Present and Fee Not Previously Paid						
Total					\$	\$

- ☐ Applicant(s) hereby petition for a \_\_\_\_\_ month extension(s) of time to respond to the aforementioned Office Action.
- ☒ Applicant(s) believe that no (additional) Extension of Time is required; however, if it is determined that such an extension is required, Applicant(s) hereby petition that such an extension be granted and authorize the Commissioner to charge the required fees for an Extension of Time under 37 CFR 1.136 to Deposit Account No. 500388.
- ☐ Enclosed is our Check No. \_\_\_\_\_ in the amount of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ to cover the additional claim fee and/or extension of time fees.
- ☒ Please charge the required fees, or any additional fees required to facilitate filing the enclosed response, to Deposit Account No. 500388 (Order No. PLUSP040).

Respectfully submitted,  
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**RESPONSE**Commissioner for Patents  
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Dear Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed September 7, 2006.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begin on page 2 of this  
paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 9 of this paper.